



# Day of the Dead is not Halloween !



The Day of the Dead is a unique Indo-Hispanic holiday that preserves and encourages folk art and folklore as no other holiday does.

What is the difference between Halloween and Day of the Dead? Halloween is based on a medieval European concept of death, and is populated by demons, witches (usually women), and other images of terror--all of them negative. The Day of the Dead in contrast, is distinctly different. It is a uniquely Indo-Hispanic custom that demonstrates a strong sense of love and respect for one's ancestors, celebrates the continuance of life, family relationships, community solidarity, and even finds humor after death -- all positive concepts!

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